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## ECONOMIC STUDY HIS SUGGESTION

Washington, D. C., Dec. 28.—"It is a matter of common observation that wealthy families in our country often contain a number of parasitic members, that is members who derive a large income from society without rendering any appreciable economic or public service in return."

In an address before the 24th annual meeting of the American Economic Association at the Hotel Raleigh today, this declaration was made by president professor Henry W. Farnham, who reviewed extensively the economic truths to be found in history. He continued:

"These general and obvious facts need, however, to be examined historically and statistically, in order to enable us to judge correctly of the action of property in the hands of human beings under the conditions which determine it."

The effect of heredity in families, such as those made by Sir Francis Galton in England and by Frederick A. Woods in America, is of great value, but need to be supplemented by a study of the economic conditions in the case of animal life. The inherited characteristics are all-important, and the skillful breeder can reasonably expect to find the qualities of the parent in those of the offspring. But if cows had the power to deliver their young, we should find many a pedigree Guernsey, with ancestors in the advanced register, shearing her cud in idleness on the hillside and yielding no milk whatsoever, just as we often find sons of distinguished parents displaying no ability, when due to some academic test, and yet doing nothing to make their lives either useful or distinguished by any special achievement.

**Useful For Study.**

These parasitic members of the social classes have been the subject of useful studies for economic study in our country, because they are not under the social pressure of the competitive struggle for existence. The study of the economic conditions of the time when wealth meant land ownership, and land ownership of necessity involved nobility, is of great value. The study of the economic conditions of the time when wealth meant land ownership, and land ownership of necessity involved nobility, is of great value. The study of the economic conditions of the time when wealth meant land ownership, and land ownership of necessity involved nobility, is of great value.

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**Y. M. C. A. OPTIMISTIC OF 'ODD FELLOWS' LOT**

Negotiations are on for the sale of the Odd Fellows' property on North Oregon street, between Franklin and Missouri streets, to the Y. M. C. A. for \$22,000. An option on the property has been taken by the Y. M. C. A. This property originally had a frontage of 54 feet on Oregon street, adjoining the Y. M. C. A. opposite Carnegie square, and a rearage of 100 feet on Franklin street. The Y. M. C. A. is offering the property for sale at \$22,000, which is a very low price for the property. The Y. M. C. A. is offering the property for sale at \$22,000, which is a very low price for the property.

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## TUCUMCARI WINS A WATER CONTEST

Santa Fe, N. M., Dec. 28.—New Mexico's election contest is to go into the federal courts, the territorial court having refused to take jurisdiction in matters in which election officials failed to certify returns.

Surprise was caused yesterday in the district court when Judge John B. McFie declared that for personal reasons and also because he doubted his jurisdiction, he would not consider the matter of the refusal of the election officials to certify returns.

The Democratic territorial central committee met in Santa Fe last night to make a course as to the appointments to be made by governor McDonald and in the case of the contest of O. Owen, Democrat, against George H. Van Stone, Progressive Republican, who ran on the Democratic ticket, for the corporation commissionership. Van Stone is a resident of Clayton, Union county, to sign the election returns. After consultation, word was sent to federal Judge C. Roberts at Trinidad, Colo., in whose district Clayton is located, to come to Santa Fe to pass on the matter and he is expected here today. The action of the territorial court is being thereby delayed another day.

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**Precinct Wins Water Case.**

The territorial water board has decided the dispute over the water rights of the Pajarito river in Quay county, in favor of the Tucumcari applicants and against the Clayton applicants. The board's decision was made 30 days later. This clears out of the way the last obstacle for the construction of the Pajarito river project, which is 500 acres and in which the Rock Island railroad and Chicago financiers are interested.

**Englishman Was Beef Trust Daddy**

First Suggested the Consolidation of All Packers in America.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 28.—Lord Penmore Gordon, an English promoter, first suggested the merger of the packing corporations with a capitalization of \$25,000,000, according to Albert V. Veeber, who today testified in the trial of the 10 Chicago packers before Judge Carpenter. The English promoter, who came to the United States early in 1902, called on G. V. Swift and suggested a consolidation of the packers. Swift rejected the proposition, but several months later a conference of Chicago packers was held at which and Veeber's plan for the merger were agreed upon and steps later taken to finance it.

**Fire Destroys A Large Section Of Ontario Town**

Cobalt, Ontario, Dec. 28.—Fire swept the business district of Golden City today, wiping out nearly all the buildings that survived a fire last June. The flames were stopped only by blowing up a theater and adjoining buildings. Golden City is the pioneer townsite of Porcupine.

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## REYES TO REACH CAPITAL TONIGHT

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 28.—Emilio Vasquez Gomez, who is in this city as a so-called refugee, today denied that he had planned or would plan a revolution against the Mexican government.

Under the extradition treaty between the United States and Mexico, the latter country is authorized to direct an application for extradition to the governor of Texas when a fugitive is supposed to be within that state, as in the present case, and no action is necessary on the part of the federal authorities.

Gen. Reyes will arrive, according to schedule, in the capital tonight.

It is very unlikely that Gen. Reyes will be placed under a guard in some building other than the penitentiary. The military police, the case against him will be disposed of at an early date and it is likely that Castaneda Puente, the attorney general, will be invested with the rank of general of division, will be directing member of the court. Many plans for leniency have been entered on Gen. Reyes's behalf, but among military men, the hope is said to exist that the chief of his crime will be strictly enforced on the ground that Reyes has brought ignominy and discredit to the army. No demonstration will be permitted by the authorities on the arrival of Reyes here.

**Saved From Death Penalty.**

The president has today insisted upon the death penalty for Reyes and his followers was shown yesterday when the father of David Reyes Beisana obtained executive clemency for his son. Young Retana was a prominent lawyer until he took up the fight with the government. He was captured at Burgos, Tamaulipas.

Hearing of his son's predicament, the father went to Madero and stated after the execution of his son, he would be pardoned to spare his son's life.

**Slipped Through Monterey.**

Heavily guarded and on his way to the capital to answer the charges of rebellion, Gen. Reyes was hurried southward last night through Monterey, with its inhabitants kept in ignorance of the passage. So close was his escape from Linares timed, that only a small portion of the population was aware of it, and in Monterey, his old home, possibly some soldiers were routed by his car around the city.

**Will Not Ask Extradition.**

Brown, Dec. 28.—Acting upon the advice of attorney General Wickham, Lock McDaniel, United States district attorney for the southern district of Texas, today announced that he would abandon his efforts to extradite Gen. Bernardo Reyes from Mexico for trial in this country on charges of violating the neutrality laws.

**Could Have Escaped.**

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 28.—Gen. Reyes was mistaken with regard to the desire of the people of Mexico when he undertook this revolution, commented Senora Reyes, his wife.

She declared that when he called to the people for assistance, he was not answered. The government soldiers failed to capture him because he had an abundance of funds on his person and could easily have made his way to the Gulf, boarded a steamer and escaped to Europe. He did not care to do so, as he feared his followers and sympathizers would be taken and executed. Senora Reyes was not convinced of the general's surrender until she received a telegram from him yesterday.

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Madero's Brother Vouches For This—'Press Has Too Much Liberty.'

New York, N. Y., Dec. 28.—Julio Madero, brother of the president of Mexico, is in New York city today on a mission, the nature of which he declines to disclose. He talked freely on the arrival regarding the case of Gen. Bernardo Reyes, declaring that the aged warrior would escape with a slight punishment.

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Freedom of the press has gone too far in Mexico," declared the younger Madero. "In some of the papers," he explained, "you find the front page covered with the headlines and the columns filled with the most scandalous articles. Then away on the back page hidden away in smaller type, there is a paragraph something like this: 'At the moment of going to press, we learn that everything was done as planned on the front page by not true.'"

## GIRL ANXIOUS TO LEAD REBEL ARMY

Shanghai, China, Dec. 28.—Sung Su Tsung, a Chinese teacher of Shanghai has offered her services to the Shanghai provisional military authorities to



head an army of 120 soldier girls against the Manchus. Miss Tsung and her fighting girls are anxious to go to the front and fight the imperial troops.

**Christmas Just Passed Was a Bigger One Than Ever Before for Postoffice.**

RECEIPTS MUCH LARGER THAN 1910

An increase of \$166,358 in the receipts of the El Paso postoffice was reported today by the postmaster, according to figures for the Christmas of 1910.

During the seven days previous to Christmas this year, \$165,358 was taken in at the office, compared to \$144,140 of the year of 1910. December 16 was the largest day of the week during the holiday rush and showed that El Pasoans did their Christmas shopping early. On this day the receipts at the postoffice were \$37,846.

**SMALLPOX IS RAGING DOWN AT MAGDALENA**

Cananea, Sonora, Mexico, Dec. 28.—Smallpox is raging at Magdalena, according to advices received here from that city. There are over 50 cases and over four or five new cases are found daily. The latest case was about 19 or 20 days from the disease.

The latter portion of last week a committee of citizens got together for the purpose of taking steps for the prevention of the plague spreading and funds were collected for this purpose. The committee has been collecting by subscriptions and this will be used in isolating the patients and providing food, blankets, etc., for the victims.

**MEXICO HAS NO TROUBLE**

Mexico City, Mex., Dec. 28.—Minister of the Interior Abraham Gonzalez says that the American and European banks are at an extremely favorable rate. The question of refunding the government debt over \$220,000,000 gold is being considered.

Business interests, anticipating the revival of confidence, already have begun to make plans for the completion of several large engagements which had been postponed pending the result of the campaign against Reyes.

**A PROSPEROUS YEAR FOR THE RAILROADS**

Texas Lines All Did Better Business in 1911 Than During 1910.

Austin, Tex., Dec. 28.—According to the forthcoming report of the railroad commission, text of which was made public today, the railroads of Texas have enjoyed a prosperous year for the fiscal year ending July 30, 1911.

Report shows there were 822 miles of new mileage added, of which 505 is of main line.

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## MYSTERY IN DEATHS IN BERLIN

Quickly, Mysteriously and Surely Patients Die After Being Attacked.

## SPREADS AMONG CITY INSTITUTIONS

Berlin, Germany, Dec. 28.—A mysterious malady that brings death in a few minutes, sure and speedy, is killing scores of inmates of the city's charity hospitals and prisons. At first believed to be ptomaine poisoning, the disease is now puzzling, its spread from the one institution further adds to the mystery.

More than 20 deaths have occurred since December 16 at the municipal shelter for the homeless. Fifteen more of the destitute men died last night, and the forenoon, while 60 or 70 others are seriously ill. Now cases are being rushed to the hospitals so fast statistics cannot be kept.

The affair has assumed such proportions that doubts are being expressed as to whether the deaths were due, as at first believed, to the eating of decayed smoked herring, which the homeless people had brought with them to the shelter, or whether the deadly diet provided there. A considerable number of cases have been reported from the city's hospitals, and from the jail. The authorities, however, still adhere to the original theory.

The symptoms of some of the patients correspond to those of cholera, but a general postmortem examination has been made, and the results are absolutely the opposite of cholera. The hope that the later cases would prove less serious than the early ones has vanished, many of the victims today as well as yesterday succumbing in 30 or 35 minutes after the attack.

**TOWN TREASURY IS ROBBED BY BANDITS**

Jesus Buelna and His Band Raid the Town of Cucurpe, Sonora.

Cananea, Sonora, Mexico, Dec. 28.—Jesus Buelna and his small following of malcontents have made their appearance at Cucurpe, on the San Miguel river, where they appropriated the public funds.

Later they were reported to be actively engaged in pillaging above Tuxtepec, their southward march being hastened by the capture of Buelna and Cardenas were seen last week about Arizpe but upon learning of the fate of Buelna and Cardenas, they were reported to have returned to Cucurpe, according to reports.

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**POSTMASTER FOR THIRTY-SEVEN YEARS**

New Mexico Pioneer Connected with Several Banks, Dies

East Las Vegas, N. M., Dec. 28.—At the age of 69 years, Henry Goke, a New Mexico pioneer, died here this morning after a prolonged illness. Mr. Goke leaves a fortune estimated at \$75,000.

For 47 years he resided in Sapello, a village several miles from Las Vegas, where he conducted a general store and was postmaster for 37 years. Some time ago he became president of the First National bank of Batton. He was a director of the San Miguel National bank of this city and vice president of the Las Vegas Savings bank.

**LOSERS FIGHT FOR PART OF DENVER MAN'S ESTATE**

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 28.—Mrs. Henrietta Goodloe, of Denver, Colo., niece of former banker James S. Armstrong, will not share in the \$1,500,000 estate, according to a decision by the supreme court today. The decision was brought by the trustees to expedite the distribution of the estate.

Her share was lost to her because of the provision of the word "sister" in the will.

**DR. PEARSON AND PARTY COMING NEXT WEEK.**

Dr. Fred St. Paulson, president of the Pearson industries, and H. L. Miller, vice president of the company, together with a party of officials of the company, will arrive in El Paso in the early part of next week from New York city.

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## RUSSIA GETS REPEL OF CHINA'S POSSIBLE THRONE AGREES TO ALLOW DELEGATES TO SELECT FORM OF GOVERNMENT.

Apparently Trying to Absorb the Territory—Terrible Brutalities Charged.

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**SPANISH AND FRANCE DIFFER OVER MOROCCO**

Madrid, Spain, Dec. 28.—Advices from Melilla, Morocco, say that the whole Spanish army advanced yesterday and "repulsed and decimated" the Rifian tribesmen.

One Spanish general named Iba was wounded.

Special correspondents in their dispatches say that the Spanish casualties totaled 27 killed and 145 wounded. The Rifians lost 400.